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(c) Recruitment to the post of Block Development Officers is made by transfer from any other class or service or by promotion of Social Education Organizers. Persons belonging to Scheduled Caste already in Government service are being considered for appointment as Block Development Officers by the Selection Committee at the time of recruitment.

MR. SPEAKER : Next question.

(Sri M. C. Muthukumaraswamy rose.)

MR. SPEAKER : I am sorry, I am on No. 729. The hon. Member did not get up when Question No. 728 was answered.

Rural indebtedness

* 729 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) whether any action has been taken to find out the extent of rural indebtedness; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) & (b) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House.

Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies

* 730 Q.—SRI S. LAZAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Deputy Registrars of Co-operation (in Deputy Registrar's grade) in the State as on 1st January 1958;

(b) the number of permanent Deputy Registrars of Co-operation;

(c) the respective years when the temporary posts of Deputy Registrars were created; and

(d) whether there is a proposal before the Government to make permanent—

(i) the posts of Deputy Registrars created on the bifurcation of each district which began in 1946; and

(ii) the posts of Credit and Marketing Special Deputy Registrars in each district?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : (a) On 1st January 1958, there were 82 posts of Deputy Registrars of Co-operative Societies in the State.

(b) Twenty-three posts of Deputy Registrars are permanent and the rest are temporary.

(c) A statement[b] showing the years when the various temporary posts of Deputy Registrars were created is placed on the table of the House.

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a Printed as Appendix IV on pages 183–184 infra.

b Printed as Appendix V on page 184 infra.